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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

April 27, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for West College Avenue Reconstruction in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the City of Normal and the project is located at West College Avenue, Normal, Illinois 61761.

The funding is designated for the rehabilitation and improvement of the Rivian Motorway (US150) to White Oak Road.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: The capital infrastructure investment on West College Avenue will provide a modern, efficient, and safe roadway for all users and furnish the necessary improvements to attract new businesses to the vacant parcels on the road. This project supports Rivian Automotive which needs a road that will support their growth and long-term investments in the manufacturing plant—and safe access for employees to drive, walk, or bicycle to work. It is expected that many of the areas around the plant can be developed by suppliers to Rivian in the years ahead and this road project is essential to the development of these future employers and community investors.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Darin LaHood Member of Congress

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